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Hello All — It looks like the question of which Glyphosate products can be used on which varieties of Glyphosate-resistant crops is getting some coverage out there. The spin on our interpretation is a bit negative and I suspect the level of understanding of this issue across the SLAs and Regions is less than universal. We've started some informal conversation with our OC colleagues. Before briefing the issue much higher, we thought we'd check in with OPP for thoughts on the value of preparing a desk statement for use across the Agency and/or publishing a compliance alert. Please share your thoughts or let me know if a brainstorming session would be beneficial. I'd be happy to get something on calendars.

Thanks,

Royan

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All,

Back in February 2019, Region 5 received a request for guidance from the Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA). The guidance ODA was seeking surrounds the use of pesticide products labeled for use on "Round up Ready Crops" and the potential for its use on the new glyphosate resistant soybean, LLGT27. In an attempt to provide guidance to ODA we convened a call with Ruben Baris of OPP and ODA. Subsequent to the call we continued to work on a response for ODA.

We later became aware of a press inquiry received by OPP that seemed to be seeking the same information to that of ODA. So, we contacted Ruben again to find out if we could share OPP's statement with ODA and we were advised that we could convey the message without block copying. Region 5 modified the messaging and shared it with ODA. After sending the guidance to ODA it was also shared with Royan Teter, OCE.

Since then, we have become aware that BASF and Bayer are issuing conflicting statements. BASF is stating that "...glyphosate labels should not be limited to certain branded glyphosate-tolerant crops" and "...EPA label language should not be restricted to certain branded glyphosate-tolerant crops (e.g., Roundup Ready). Bayer is stating, "...Roundup brand agricultural herbicides are not currently registered for use over the top of LibertyLink GT27 soybeans. As such, the use of Roundup brand agricultural herbicides over the top of LLGT27 are not allowed...The only type of crop currently labeled on the Roundup brand agricultural herbicides labels for over the top usage are Roundup Ready Crops." See attached for communications from BASF and Bayer that were shared with us by way of ODA.

ODA now anticipates it will likely begin to receive calls about what pesticides can be used on LLGT27 soybeans and have contacted Region 5 to assist with pesticide label interpretations for a number of pesticide labels already. Has OPP, OCE or OC considered what message needs to be shared publicly to address the inconsistencies in registrant messaging? Let us know if we need to meet to discuss this issue further or if this is something OPP, OCE and OC are already working towards addressing. I advised ODA that I would follow-up with them early next week, so if you could let us know as soon as possible that would be great. Thank you.

DTN quotes EPA's emailed statement:

https://www.dtnpf.com/agriculture/web/ag/news/crops/article/2018/10/23/manage-indianmeal-moth

OSU quotes EPA, Region 5's emailed statement:

 $\frac{https://agcrops.osu.edu/newsletter/corn-newsletter/2019-05/what\%E2\%80\%99s-legal-apply-ll-gt27-soybean-\%E2\%80\%93-maybe-almost-final-story$

Seems we left them scratching their heads and looking for the "head scratching emoji".

Regards, Estrella Calvo

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